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By the KING,

A PROCLAMATION,

For Encouraging Mariners, Seamen and Landmen to Enter themselves on Board His Majesties Ships of War.

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WHereas by Our Royal Proclamation, Dated at Our Court at Kensington the Eighth Day of January last, for the giving all due Encouragement to all such Seamen and Able-Bodied Landmen, who should voluntarily Enter themselves in Our Service, and Remain on Board Our Ships of War in Our Royal Navy, We did Promise and Declare, That all such Seamen and Able-Bodied Landmen, who either since the First Day of January last had Entred, or should by the Fifteenth Day of this Instant February voluntarily Enter themselves and Remain on Board any of our Ships of War of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Rates, or on Board Fire-Ships or Tenders belonging to Our Fleet, should Receive as Our Free Gift and Royal Bounty, the respective Allowances and Rewards following, (viz.) Each Seaman Two Months Pay, and each Able-Bodied Landman One Months Pay, to be Paid to them before the said Ships should respectively go to Sea. And We did thereby also Declare, That Conduct-Money, according to the Practice of the Navy, should be allowed to such Seamen and Landmen, as should voluntarily Enter themselves, and Remain on Board any of Our said Ships, according to the true meaning of Our said Proclamation. And whereas many Mariners, Seamen, and Able-Bodied Landmen, in regard of their being in Remote and Distant Parts, or other Accidents, may not be able to Enter themselves on Board Our Ships of War by the Fifteenth of this Instant February, according to our said Proclamation, We are therefore Graciously Pleased (by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council) to Issue this Our Royal Proclamation: And do hereby further Promise and Declare, That all such Seamen and Able-Bodied Landmen, who on or before the Tenth Day of March next, shall voluntarily Enter themselves, and Remain on Board any of Our said Ships of War, or Fire-Ships or Tenders belonging to Our Fleet, shall Receive, as Our Free Gift and Royal Bounty, such and the same Allowances, Rewards and Conduct-Money respectively, as if they had so Entred themselves before the Fifteenth Day of this Instant February. And We do hereby Require and Command all Our Justices of the Peace and Vice-Admirals, to give such Certificates to the Persons that shall so Enter themselves, and Transmit true Lists thereof to the Commissioners of Our Navy, in such and the same manner as is Required in and by Our said Recited Proclamation, of and concerning the Persons as should Enter themselves before the said Fifteenth Day of this Instant February.

Given at Our Court at *Kensington*, the Twelfth Day of *February*, 1701. In the Thirteenth Year of Our Reign.

Naples, Jan. 20. *N. S.* The Count *d'Estrees* parted from hence two days ago with the four biggest Ships of his Squadron, in order to return to *Toulon*; The Baron of *Shassinet*, the Prince *della Riccia*, Don *Aquaviva* and his Brother, and several other Persons of Quality who are Prisoners for adhering to the Emperor's Interest, were put on board his Ships, in order to be conveyed to *France*. The *French* Frigats of Count *d'Estrees*'s Squadron which are left behind are to cruize in the *Adriatick* Sea, to hinder the *Germans* from sending over any Forces to this Kingdom from *Ragusa*. Cardinal *Giudice*, who is to have the Administration of the Government of *Sicily* till a new Viceroy is sent thither, arrived at *Palermo* the 6th Instant, and the Duke of *Escalona*, who succeeds the Duke of *Medina Celi* as Viceroy of this Kingdom, would depart from thence the 21st. The Discourse continuing, that Prince *Eugene* is sending hither a Detachment of Horse and Foot, most of the Forces which were quartered here and in the neighbourhood are sent to the Province of *Abruzzo* for the Security of those Frontiers, and the Duke *d'Atri*, who governs there as Vicar General, has Orders to draw together the Militia of that Country, and to post them along the Rivers *Uberata* and *Tronto*.

Libau, Febr. 4. All the King of *Sweden*'s Forces quartered about *Goldingen* are marched to *Lithuania*, and are to have their Rendezvous at *Kaunen*; Between 3 and 4000 Men are to continue in *Courland*. The chief Command of the *Swedish* Forces in *Liefland* is given to Major-General *Morner*, who is accordingly gone thither, and has Orders to draw together all the Militia of that Country.

Libau, Febr. 7. The King of *Sweden* is gone from his Quarters at *Goldingen* to *Lithuania*, to Command his Forces in Person, which are on their march towards *Poland*. The *Swedish* Forces which were quartered here are all marched away except one Regiment of Foot. Letters from *Liefland* say, a Party of 200 *Muscovites* came to plunder a small Village on the Frontiers of that Province; but the Inhabitants got together to the number of about 30 or 40, and obliged them to retire, having killed several, and taken some Prisoners.

Dantzick, Febr. 11. An Express arrived here yesterday from *Warsaw*, which brings an Account, that the General Diet of *Poland* broke up the 7th Instant through the Means of one of the Deputies, who protested against their Proceedings, and departed out of the Assembly. 'Tis said a Diet will meet on Horseback; and that the King of *Poland* intends shortly to take a Journey to *Saxony*.

Vienna, Febr. 8. A Courier was dispatched this week with further Instructions to Prince *Eugene*, and with Bills for a considerable Sum of Mony for the Service of the Imperial Forces in *Italy*. Directions are given for several Regiments of Horse and Foot to march thither in the room of the Detachment designed for *Naples*. Great Preparations are made for the Campagne on the *Rhine*, and the Imperial Forces ordered for that Service from *Hungary* and *Transilvania* will shortly begin their March. Commissions are sent to *Hungary* for the raising of 6 Regiments of *Hussars*, one of which is designed for *Italy*, and the other five to serve on the *Rhine*; And the Officers of the Regiments of Horse that are to remain in *Hungary* and *Transilvania* are ordered to make new Levies for adding 5 Men to every Troop. Great quantities of Provisions and Ammunition have lately been sent from *Croatia* to the Imperial Army in *Italy*, which for the future is to be supplied from thence; this proving a more expeditious and less expensive way than the sending of Provisions from *Germany*.

Frankfort, Febr. 15. The Imperialists have put a Garrison into *Gemersheim*, and they are fortifying